

To the Federal Communications Commission: I believe this is truly a knee-jerk reaction to a few incidents in our nation that have grabbed attention in the public's view, of bad decisions by some major market broadcasters to allow talent to go too far. However, the vast majority of broadcasters are highly responsible people, dedicated to serve the public interest with programming responsive to the community needs and desires; especially small market broadcasters. They are truly in touch with the community, live there, interact with the leaders of the community and provide conservative programming indicative of the needs of their community. Forcing the small market broadcaster to record, catalogue and retain on-air recordings will not only be burdensome financially, but the lost time of productivity of the staff cannot be calculated. The broadcasters in small markets have not had a history of "indecentcy" violations. The target of this proposed rulemaking is only a few major market broadcasters and a network who don't care about the local community. They care about sensationalism, and only desire to to appeal to the prurient interest in the chase for higher and higher ratings. This will I do believe have a chilling effect of free speech, as anyone who says anything on-air, whether the local announcer, or any telephone calls aired, they will know that everything that goes over the air will be recorded and can be accessed, and that alone could be enough to stifle free speech in a community. I would suggest the commission implement a plan to go after "indecentcy" offenders in the radio and television area. Place the burden on the offenders not on the industry as a whole. The industry as a whole is responsive to its community. This is especially ture of the small market broadcaster.

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